

## **CHAPTER I**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **A. Background of the Study**

Literary work is a work of fiction which is the result of creation based on spontaneous emotional outbursts that are capable of supporting aspects of good beauty based on linguistic aspects and aspects of meaning Fenanie 2000: 6. Literary art itself is an art that raises ideas or encourages writers through writing. As a medium for delivering information and is one branch of art where all oral or written forms contain beauty, aesthetics and imaginative nature. The novel is part of the literature. It is a representation of humanity for the purpose of achieving the perfection of life. In other words, literature is a circular ideological conflict; compilation of writers shows ideas through characters and characters in the text of social reality on that victory. Sumardjo 1998: 28 says that "a novel is a story with prose in the form of long, this long form means that the story includes a complicated plot, many characters and various backgrounds". According to Wellek and Warren 1963: 22 also state that literary terms are best if we limit them to senior literature, namely imaginative literature. Literature is also approved by the participation of the author. Literature is not just a fact, not just a collection of facts that may actually occur in reality. Literature can create its own world as a product of unlimited results.

The novel *Divergent* was published on April 26, 2011. The book entitled "*Divergent*" was published by an American novelist named Veronica Roth. He is known for making his debut in the New York Times best-selling novel, the *Divergent Trilogy*, consisting of *Divergent*, *Insurgent*, and *Allegiant*. Of the many novels written by Veronica Roth, one interesting thing to learn is the *Divergent* novel. This novel acts as a genre and has a storyline that contains the values of feminism. Different novels describe the worlds which are divided into five types of categories based on their characteristics.

The first types of categories are Candor, Abnegation, Dauntless, Amity, and the last is Erudite.

While "Divergent", does not fall into five types of categories. Because it has a variety of personalities that stand out in a person. The female player named Tris felt panicked and curious and wanted to know where she was placed. While undergoing the test, Tris felt something was wrong and in the end he was not included in the 5 types of categories given. After that, Tris did not give up and kept trying to be accepted into the category not as brave as he wanted. He tried to get himself to pass the test of courage that intimidated his life. Tris continues to strive to stay alive in the midst of competition and political games to get rid of the different that are considered dangerous.

Here it is seen that women also carry out various challenges as do men. Perform various extreme actions such as riding a very high railroad bridge and there is no barrier on the bridge, besides also running after the train on the bridge without any safety support tools attached to Tris's body or the female actor in the novel. Seen a lot of violence that is told in this novel, especially for women as played by the main character named Tris. When he will take the first test he is required to choose the type of category specified, before the hands of each participant must be sliced with a knife. The purpose of this is to determine the blood released from the participants whether they fulfill the criteria they choose or not.

Then after being grouped into each category. The courage of a woman is marked by her efforts to run after a train that runs fast. Although there are difficulties and fears that exist on him, but female actors continue to carry out unusual actions. And only women who gather courageous spirits are able to conquer all tough challenges, for example, like spelling a fast-moving train that looks very impossible. There is violence which is told in this novel especially to the woman played by the main character named Tris.

It doesn't stop enough until here, the violence that continues to be carried out is quite extreme. Participants must jump out the train car to the fence where inside the place where the dauntless participants will be tested for

their abilities. The thing beyond the expectation of the test being carried out again by Tris has to plunge down beyond measure, Tris the first woman who dared to plunge down the building among other female and male participants. Another example for fellow women Tris must undergo action with a theme to test the ability of how strong and resistant he is to face other enemies. Here the location of the violence was much unexpected; they made a point of fighting with each other and did not use any protection or security at all. Tris was very hurt because of the strike from his opponent, shortly afterwards he was shown a temporary ranking in the initial game. The moment that makes Tris down. But many times he thought back to the purpose he chose dauntless and left divergent. One warning for one of his female friends to almost drop him into a ravine on the bridge, this made him very anxious and very afraid of this happening to him. He remained enthusiastic and persistent in undergoing all the tests given to her.

Here it can be seen that the violence experienced by a female player named Tris was very influential on her psychological condition and was discouraged from her. He did not think he had not finished how many of the next tests. In the view of psychologists Saraswati in Malinda, 2008 revealed, violence is "a form of action taken against another party, whether carried out by individuals or more than one person, which can cause suffering to the other party. Violence can occur in two forms, namely physical violence resulting in death, and psychological violence that does not affect the victim's physical, but results in prolonged trauma on the victim ".

According to Windu 1992 : 32 violence in a narrow sense means "physical attack or abuse of a person or an attack on the destruction of a very violent, cruel and violent feeling towards oneself or something that someone has potentially. According to Black 1951 : 62 violence is the use of force that is unjust, and cannot be justified, which is accompanied by great emotions or uncontrolled, sudden, strong, violent and insulting anger. According to some experts, every group behavior, including violence and conflict always starts from individual or individual actions. This theory says that violent behavior is

carried out by individuals is the aggressiveness carried out by the individual himself, both spontaneously and planned and violent behavior is carried out together or in groups.

Some things that are not noticed are that women have a concern ethic that focuses on achieving results where all parties feel their needs are being addressed and responded to. Attention ethics makes women able to think intelligently because the focus is only on achieving equality by paying attention to and responding to the needs of every human being, so that women must be observant about what is needed by every human being to be able to produce intelligent decisions. Being a Dauntless must be accompanied by courage and free from fear, and dare to sacrifice to protect the community. The activities that Tris did such as getting violent illustrate the struggle of a feminist who needs to be courageous and free from fear of men who dominate, and dare to sacrifice both mind and physicality in fighting for women's values in order to realize an equal society among men male and female.

In fighting for himself to survive in the midst of competition while fighting men and conspiracy to get rid of the different, Tris is seen as a feminist figure who fights for equality and justice for himself as a woman. Because of that, the struggle of Tris's character that is so determined to make *Divergent* novels is thick with the values of feminism.

According to Salden 1986: 130-131 there are problems that arise in the problem with feminist theory, namely a) biological problems, b) experience, c) discourse, d) unconsciousness, and e) socioeconomic problems. The debate on feminist theory is a matter of discourse as to why women were marginalized through discourse dominated by men. Feminism is the belief that even though women and men are inherently equal, most people favor men as a group. As a result, social movements are needed to achieve political equality between women and men, with the understanding that gender always intersects with other social hierarchies. Estelle Freedman

Based on the above reasons, the author tries to observe and find out the problem of violence that occurred in the novel *Divergent*, VIOLENCE IN

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### **B. Problem Statement**

1. What kinds of violence are reflected in the novel Divergent?
2. How did Tris win turning the world into peace without factions?

### **C. Objectives**

1. To describe the kinds of violence in the novel Divergent
2. To find out how Tris win turning the world into peace without factions

### **D. Benefits / Advantages**

1. The benefits that can be given by this research are as follows:

Theoretical benefits

Theoretically, the results of this study can be a reference or input for the development of science in the field of literature and language and to know the problems that often and even that will happen in the future.

2. Practical Benefits

a. Reader

This Divergent novel research by Veronica Roth can be used as a comparison of other existing studies.

b. Other researchers

As well as motivating other researchers to do research with better results again.

c. Library

This research can be used to add library collections and completeness as improving the use of books or useful reference for library visitors.

### **E. Paper Organization**

Organizational research papers "VIOLENCE IN DIVERGENT NOVEL BY VERONICA ROTH (2011): FEMINIST APPROACH". The

details of the paper organization are: Chapter I is an introduction, which consists of background research, problem statement, objectives, benefits, and paper organization. Chapter II deals with the previous study, underlying theory, and novelty. Chapter III discusses the type of study, the object of study, the object of study, the type of data and data source, the method of data collection and the technical analysis of data. Chapter IV discusses finding and discussion. Chapter V is conclusion and discussion.